SUSSEX SUNK BY TORPEDO

Washington Convinced That the Attack Was Made by German Submarine

SITUATION GRAVEST

No Definite Steps to Be Taken Until Germany Has Replied to the Informal Inquiries - Col. House in Council with President.

were responsible for the attacks without warning on the channel steamer

Lacking such information members said action would not be taken, although the administration is almost convinced that the Sussex with her 25 American passengers was the victim of a German submarine.

the situation, but were hopeful that neer and Eagle Point. It was de his field headquarters. events in the next few days would pre. clared that word from Berlin was be- Losses to the Villa force, given as 30 o

reported in news despatches to have been forwarded from Berlin.

government has admitted or senied responsibility in the Sussex case.

Reports of a U. S. naval attache, saystudied at conferences yesterday be lizens of other nations. tween President Wilson, Col. E. M House and members of the cabinet.

The attache's reports are regarded at Washington as virtually conclusive proof that the Sussex, while carrying 25 American citizens, was attacked in violation of solemn and reiterated assurances given the United States by Germany. With this fact apparently established, it is generally conceded that the United States is confronted by a situation more grave than any

last night, however, that no definite sition thus seized, step will be taken by the American government until Germany has replied to the informal inquiries submitted by

First Baptist Church

Tonight, 7.30-Prayer meeting of the church. Read the book of James.

The Woman's society has engaged Miss Agnes Hersey, a graduate of the transportation staff of the state rail-Emerson School of Oratory, to give an ways will again be granted leave. entertainment Saturday evening, April Miss Hersey will be assisted by Miss Mary Bane and Frederic C. Adams. Miss Hersey comes exceptionally well recommended and an entertain ment of unusual merit is anticipated Admission 25 cents; children 15 cents.

Sunday Services.

10.30 a. m .- Sermon; subject, Education in the Five-Year Program. 11.45 a. m .- Bible school. Classes for

3.45 p. m .- Junior Christian Endeavor, chorus choir. Welcome to all,

Centre Congregational Church

Matt. 25:1-13; 31-46.

Brooks House Sanitary Barber Shop **5 EXPERT WORKMEN 5**

The Prince of Bootblacks Employed Here

J. H. ALLEN PROP.

SWEDISH STEAMER SEIZED BY BRITISH

Swedish Government Has Protested and Asked Release-More Vessels Torpedoed.

LONDON, April 7.—The capture by German torpedo boat of the Swedish steamer Vega, from Stockholm for Copennagen, is reported in an Exchange tele graph despatch from Copenhagen. The message says the Swedish government has protested against the capture and demanded the release of the steamship.

COPENHAGEN, April 7, via London.-The Swedish steamers Hakan, Hera and SINCE WAR STARTED Olof, with herring for Germany, have been seized by British warships. The cargoe were valued at a million crowns. It is stated that in future Swedish herring ships will sail within territorial waters.

LONDON, April 7.—The Daily Mail ublishes a report that the Peninsula and Driental line steamer Simla has been sunk WASHINGTON, April 7. - When in the Mediterranean. It is suggested that President Wilson met the cabinet today this may be the transport reported sunk he was yet without definite official in- in an earlier despatch to the Mail. The aeroplane and motor truck to Columbus. ment as to whether its submarines records is dated Nov. 23, 1915, and it is defeat, which reached here late today. ployed in the government service.

> that the French sailing vessel, St. Hubert, has been torpedoed and may become a derelict. Her crew was rescued.

The state department had not re- to say what will be done about it.

many for more information in the case is confidently believed in many quart Francisco Villa was at Cifeguillas, 10 miles There was reason to believe the spatches from Berlin have indicated Carranza troops in Chihuahua. Gen. Bell noon for a trip of one month to Costa United States will not further reveal that such an admission undoubtedly received this information from Chibnahua New York on the steamship Tenadores CRUSH OF WOMEN information it holds until the German will be accompanied by disayowal and and transmitted it to Gen. Funston today of the Great White Fleet of the Unit-

The only legal weakness in the case a long trail to and beyond Satevo. ing fragments found on the channel that no American citizens have sworn steamer Sussex hore distinctive mark not actually see the metal fragments ings showing them to be parts of a taken from the Sussex and the fact German torpedo, and despatches telling that no American citizens have sworns of scores of submarine attacks on neu- to having seen the wake of a torpedo guard. tral and other unarmed merchant before the Sussex was struck. Such ships within the last two weeks were affidavits have been received from cit

GERMANS MAKE GAINS.

Penetrated the First Line of French co-operation in pursuit of Villa. Trenches West of Meuse.

war office. The locality is in the re-expected.

SITUATION LESS TENSE.

Transportation Staff Officers in Holland to Be Granted Leave.

LONDON, April 7.-The situation in Holland is apparently becoming less tense, Renter's Amsterdam correspondent says. An indication of the change is that the officers of the military

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE MEETS

Quarterly Session Began in Brattleboro Church Last Evening-Will Continue Through Sunday.

7.30 p. m.—Sermon; subject, The Great which Rev. E. S. Hewitt is paster. The department today. Mock Trial, "And Delivered Him session is well attended and the ad-Up to Pilot." Dugan's orchestra, dresses are timely and interesting. Meetings will be held through Sunday, and the public is invited.

Tonight at 7.30-Services of praise and noon was devoted to deliberations and prayer. Topic, Parables of Judgment, business. It was decided to put forth of changing the orders given to Gen. Funa more vigorous home missionary effort ston to "get Villa dead or alive." the coming year and to seek closer association and fellowship and more hearty co-operation with the Holiness ssociation of Vermont.

speaker was Rev. F. H. Leavitt of South Vernon, An address will be given at 7.30 tonight by Rev. L. F. Baker of Plainville, Coun.

tomorrow forenoon, and at 2 p. m. lagher of Burtts Corner, N. B., aged 15, occasion of many tributes to the famthe speaker will be Rev. P. G. Lord of Waterbury (Vt.) and in the evening It was necessary for the groom to a portrait of himself to the field mar- ber of neutral vessels sunk recently would discharge their cargoes at Rot- Fair and Colder Tonight - Saturday at 7.30 Rev. L. F. Baker of Plainville. secure the assistance of a government shal.

AGAIN ROUT

American Cavalrymen Outwitted the Mexicans at Their Own Game

LOSSES TO BANDITS 30 OR MORE KILLED

Engagement Took Place in Aguas Cal-

GEN. PERSHING'S CAMP AT SAN GERONIMO RANCH, Mexico, April 3, by presumed that she has lately been em- was taken as a sharp moral defeat for the Villa forces because the American cavairy-LONDON, April 7.-Lloyds announces game, that of slipping unseen through

had been out of touch with Gen. Funston for two days on account of bad flying weather and a temporary shortage of gaso-Members of the cabinet were not in- Ambassador Gerard in the cases of the line, which prevented the zero squad from clined to take an optimistic view of Sussex, Englishman, Manchester Engi- carrying messages back to the wireless at

vent a break with Germany either by ing awaited not so much because in more dead and 40 horses or more captured proof that she was not guilty of the formation as to what has happened is in the Aguas Calientes fight, are not con-Sussex attack or by reparation or ex- wanted, but to give Germany an op- sidered of as much significance as the planation that would be satisfactory. portunity to present her version and manner in which the coup was executed.

ceived today any inquiry from Ger- In view of the evidence collected, it SAN ANTONIO, Texas, April 7.tack on the Sussex, and unofficial de- Gen. Luis Gutierrez, commanding the by will leave Brattleboro this after- permit.

engaged 50 Villa men at Ciangeguilla, killed Willa had left there early in the morning Railway Co

explained, but officers at Mai. Gen. Funston's headquarters assumed that it was part of the de lateo government's plan of

PARIS, April 7.—German forces EL PASO, Texas, April 7.—Advance nouncement made today by the French come into contact with the Villa force is

which has arisen since the outbreak of gion west of the Meuse. A French The region between Satevo and Parral, Chicago in June, was enlivened by a valley towns on the morning train and an bly hall, parior, gymnasium and read-sale of it, and he asked for leniency. ounterattack at once drove them where Villa is reported to be heading, is number of contests for places on the extra street car was run from West Brat- ing room. In short the plans are for It was said authoritatively again back from a large portion of the po- infested with numerous bands of Villa state ticket, but was regarded as har- tleboro.

American refugees from Sancto Juarez a hard battle before reinforcements ar-

Chihuahua, and was still moving southward hard on the trail of the bandits. It is believed that more frequent reports will now be obtained from Col. Dodd, inas arators by acclamation much as it is now possible for him to reay his messages by courrier to Chihuahua ity and thence by Mexican telegraph line o El Paso for retransmission to Major Gen. Funston at San Antonio.

WASHINGTON, April 7.-Another engagement between Carranza troops and The Vermont Advent Christian con- Villa bandits took place April 4 at Cianeference began its quarterly session last guilla. Ten of the bandits were killed.

CUPID'S QUEER PRANK.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock the Thomas Hanson, 71, Took Alice Galla- Von Hindenberg Has Seen 50 Years of gher, 15, as Wife.

FREDERICTON, N. B., April 7. -

official in order to obtain the marriage

G. H. DANYEW DIES IN CHICOPEE FALLS

VILLA'S MEN Was Well-Known Brattleboro Barber, Formerly Proprietor of American House and Later a Restaurant.

> George H. Danyew, 50, a well-known Brattleboro barber and former hote man, died last evening in the home of nis sister, Mrs. David Duquette, i Hotel Duquette, Chicopee Falls, Mass. He nad been in failing health several months and two weeks ago went to the home of his sister.

Mr. Danyew was born in Ferrisburg June 7, 1865, a son of Oliver and Esther (Hanks) Danyew. He came to Brattleboro when a young man and for MAY PURSUE IT WITH nearly 25 years was employed as a barper in the Brooks House barber shop. At one time with his brother-in-law David Duquette, he was proprietor of the American House in Brattleboro. which stood where the American building now stands, and for a time was proprietor of the restaurant in the ientes-News Is Expected Soon of Judge building on Main street, de-Another Attack by Col. Dodd's stroyed in the fire a year ago. He opened a barber shop on Elliot street last summer, which he conducted until forced to close it recently because of

failing health.

The body will be brought to Brattle- aloft for many hours. boro on the 5.50 train this afternoon, not been made

MR. AND MRS. ASHBY OFF FOR COSTA RICA

Brattleboro Station Agent Guest of Railroad Men on Eve of Departure for Month's Trip.

south of Satevo on April 4, according to Station Agent and Mrs. Samuel Ash-Rica. They will sail tomorrow from American cavalrymen are pushing forward Fruit Co. The vessel makes a stop at Panama, and in Costa Rica Mr. and Gutierrez reported that Carranza troops Mrs. Ashby will go to San Jose, where they will visit James H. Burke, former station agent in Brattlebore, now 10 and captured two. The prisoners said general superintendent of the Northern Street Railroad Track When Doors

with 100 men, leaving the 50 as a rear | Last evening Mr. Ashby was a guest at a theater party and later was presented with various articles for himself the opening of a sale in a Brattleboro county court. Carranza troops were reported today by and Mrs. Ashby, at a large gathering store was present at the O. J. Pratt store American Consul Letcher to be concen- of railroad men in Biagiotti's ice-cream this morning long before the doors were trating in the vicinity of Chihuahua. parlor, where refreshments and music, opened at 9 o'clock by G. W. Groves & Co.

INDIANA G. O. P. CONVENTION.

son Nominated for Senate.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 7. monious throughout. The 26 delegates at the national convention elect. had been engaged for the occasion did the out to do good for all the townspec ed by the 13 congressional districts best they could to handle the crowd, but ple district say that if Villa should succeed Wednesday night, and the four dele, the rush and jam was such that until The talk was entertaining as well as in uniting these bands he would have a gates-at-large, were instructed to pre- nearly 12 o'clock the completion-of a tran- very instructive and all present felt force of 1,000 men and would be in a posi- sent the name of Charles W. Fairbanks saction was a strenuous process, both for the enthusiasm and confidence of the tion to give the advance American troops to the national convention as Indi- customer and clerk. ana's choice for the presidential nomination. Mr. Fairbanks's name was cheered every time it was mentioned Latest official information from the in the convention. Late yesterday front showed that the American cavalry the entire delegation called on Mr. had penetrated south of San Antonio, Fairbanks at his home and pledged man. She was Miss Finn of South Verhim its support. Harry S. New, for the long term and former Congressman James E. Watson, for the short term, were nominated for United States sen

BANDITS MURDER FIFTY.

Life of O. M. Jones. MONTPELIER, April 7. - A jury Victims of Wrecked Train Shot as They

Attempted to Leave Cars. LAREDO, Texas, April 7.—Fifty per sons, including women and children, were against George H. Cross, a Northfield Large Contribution to Belgium and of the load factors on the Westminmurdered by bandits between Torreon and granite manufacturer. Rich is ad-Zacatecas on March 28, when the marauders wrecked a passenger train, according Margaret, M. Rich who was fatally to word brought here yesterday. The ban injured while a passenger in Cross's government's contribution for the reevening in the Brattleboro church, or This information was received at the war dits, according to the story told, wrecked automobile as a result of the car gothe train in a hilly section far from any ing over an embankment on Northfield about \$2,500,000 monthly, Sir Edward place of habitation, and shot down the street in Montpelier, Aug. 11, 1915. Grey, the foreign secretary, said yes passengers one by one as they emerged The case is the first of its kind ever terday in the house of commons. He WASHINGTON, April 7.—Persistent passengers one by one as they emerged the case is the first of its kind ever explained that this money was not paid from the wreckage. When all the passen tried in Vermont, it is said. Rich alreports that American forces in Mexico gers were killed or wounded, the bandits leges Cross was negligent. Rev. A. B. Blanchard of Vershire, faight be recalled soon are emphatically set fire to the wreckage and cremated the vice president of the conference, was denied by Secretaries Lansing and Baker. bodies. A military train following the pasthe speaker last evening. This fore Both declare there is no present intention senger train reached the wreck soon after. Spaulding, administrator of the estate ward, but turned back to Torreon without of Representative Orvie M. Jones of "The United States government, of wards and No other details were available to the fund. He replied: rendering aid. No other details were avail-

GREETINGS TO VETERAN.

Military Service.

BERLIN, April 7, by wireless to Say-An unusual wedding took place here ville. - The 50th anniversary of the Further business will be transacted Roweno, N. B., aged 71, took Alice Gal- berg into military service is made the us soldier. Emperor William has sent

BIG BALLOON

Aircraft Was for Experimental Use at Pensacola **Aviation Station**

ARMY AEROPLANES

Blown Out to Sea.

new observation balloon, brought sociation of Vermont and for seven Mr. Danyew married in Brattleboro, to the aviation station here for ex. years has been a member of the state June 6, 1898, Miss Elizabeth Austin, perimental use in connection with the teachers' examining board. formation from the German govern- last mention of the Simla in the shipping N. M., April 7. News of the second Villa who survives with eight children. They aerial and water maneuvers by the Mr. Collins is married and thas three are Ruth, Mary, Elsie, Florence, Mar- navy, broke away from its moorings in children. He is senior warden of

Middlebury, and four sisters, Mrs. An- warning the residents to be on the look- at Hingham offers him a higher saldrew Sears and Mrs. Frank Larrow of out for the big craft. No one was ary, and he will be enabled to take so-called "agent" system, the ama-Ferrisburg, Mrs. David Duquette of aboard, but the balloon was fully in-Chicopee Falls, and Mrs. Oliver Hanks dated and naval officers said there university because of the proximity of derry. Both respondents were arcest-

The wind was blowing from the SHERIFF RETURNS but final funeral arrangements have southeast when the aircraft left its moorings, shot quickly to the upper current and was swept away to the

> A later shift in the air current made have been carried out to sea. The airship is said to be worth be tween \$50,000 and \$60,000. It was re-

> ceived here only a few days ago. How it happened to break away has not been determined. Preparations were made to pursue the craft with acro-

AT SPECIAL SALE

Extended from Fratt Store Out to Were Opened This Morning

Women were crowded about the doors and the crowd extended out into Main

lock the doors at intervals.

VERDICT FOR \$5,150.

Award in Suit to Recover Insurance on

was empaneled yesterday afternoon in BRITISH GIVE \$2,500,000 MONTHLY county court, in the suit for \$10,000 brought by Seth C. Rich of Northfield ministrator of the estate of his wife,

lect \$5,000 insurance policy from the any money to the Belgian government, Mutual Life Insurance company of and is not one of the allies." New York. Jones had paid two premiums amounting to \$149 when he said, had been given that Germany died of cancer of the stomach.

SUBMARINE'S DEADLY WORK.

yesterday when Thomas Hanson of entrance of Field Marshal Von Hinden- Neutral Countries Have Lost Over 20 gium Vessels in Last Two Weeks.

engaged the attention of officials here terdam. today. Unofficial advices say that Chronic borrowers owe their success license, and because local ministers obtone to the fact that there are always perjected to performing the ceremony the sons who have money, but not the morchaplain of the New Brunswick legistal courage to say no.

An 11-year-old boy hung himself recover 20 neutral ships and more than body gets, even though he neither wants it nor knows how to get benefit think is better than an aching tooth." most of them without warning.

WASHINGTON, April 7.— The weather forecast: Fair and colder towards think is better than an aching tooth." most of them without warning.

ORVIS K. COLLINS GOING TO HINGHAM

BREAKS AWAY Rockingham Superintendent of Schools to Receive Higher Salary in Similar Capacity.

> (Special to The Reformer.) BELLOWS FALLS, April 7. Orvis K. Collins, superintendent of chools for the town of Rockingham the past six years, was elected super-intendent of the Hingham, Mass., schools Wednesday evening. He will remain here until about May 1, and if his successor is not elected by that time he will divide his time between here and Hingham until a man is found to take his place.

Mr. Collins was born in Vergennes and graduated from the Vergennes high school. He graduated from Middlebury college with the class of 1902 and for three years was supervising Gas Bag Was Fully Inflated, But No principal of the Wallingford (Vt. high school. From there he went to One Was on Board-Was Valued at Valatie, N. Y., where he remained two \$50,000 to \$60,000-May Have Been years. He returned to Vermont and was superintendent of the Shoreham school district three years. He is an PENSACOLA, Fla., April 7. - The ex-president of the Superintendents' as

lefeat, which reached here late today, was taken as a sharp moral defeat for the Villa forces because the American cavalrymen had outwitted them at their own men had outwitted them at the men had outwitte

naval officers fear the balloon may Steve Brazach Arrested in Little pleaded guilty to two counts, upon the Falls, N. Y., in Connection with Burglaries in Wilmington.

> tleboro this afternoon with Steve fined or imprisoned, or both. At-Brazach, who was arrested in Little torney Thompson said that Pickett was that place in connection with the re- be justice to impose a fine upon the cent breaks in Wilmington for which man, who is broken in health, because Tony Alaviro is now in Newfane jail he was penniless. Judge O'Brien senawaiting trial by the county court. that were missing from Wilmington bor in the house of correction on each were found in the possession of Bra- count and ordered him to pay the costs zach. Brazach left Wilmington as soon of prosecution. Hosley was in court as he heard of the arrest of Alaviro by during the trial, and Pickett, after his town, who had been working to solve Judge O'Brien to give the deputy the mystery of the recent breaks sheriff "10 years in state's prison." there. Brazach will be arraigned inthe municipal court this afternoon and

COMMUNITY HOUSES.

an's Club of Special Interest.

The Woman's club held a very instreet to the car track. There was a great teresting meeting in the Congregation- Hall paid his fine. Harry S. Now and Congressman Wat- jam when the doors were opened, but only al chapel Wednesday. The speaker, Rev. a part of the crowd could be admitted to D. E. Trout, spoke on Community Houses made a specialty of selling Jamaica the store at once and it was necessary to and outlined the tentative plans for ginger put up by the Hartford Exthe one here, which the committee rehave penetrated a French trench of guards of the American expedition bunting The state Republican convention, It was impossible to let those who were cently appointed by the civic league is that he had been guilty of numerous he first line between Bethincourt and Villa are appearing today near Satevo and which nominated two candidates for inside out of the main entrance and they trying to materalize. Much more has similar offenses of selling the mixture hattancourt, according to the an- news that Col. Dodd's cavalry has again the United States senate and a com- were let out on the second floor, reaching been done by the committee than the as a beverage. plete state ticket, adopted a platform the street again by the stairway that leads public has realized. 'Mr. Trout said The respondent said he had come to and elected four delegates at large to from the apartments on the second floor, that no plans were yet on paper, but realize that it was being bought as a the national convention to be held at Many women came from West River in imagination one can see the assem- beverage and that he was stopping the a common center for village activities, The large force of extra salespeople who which shall be non-sectarian, reaching PRICE DEPENDENT

> committee as expressed by Mr. Trout. Contention of Connecticut River Power Several women became faint in the jam He described the community house at in the ambulance to the Memorial hospi- this common center, although the Brattal and was attended by Dr. H. L. Water- tleboro house would have to be on a much broader and larger plan,

> > informal ballot for next year's officers of the principal witnesses of the after-

France for War Victims.

LONDON, April 7. - The British directly, but was given by the Belgian A verdict for \$5,150 was awarded by government from funds loaned to it. Warren and his heirs, in a suit to col- course, has not, so far as I know, lent use a specified amount of electricity

> No guarantee, the foreign secretary would not commandeer the German ships now in neutral ports which Great Britain had allowed to be chartered by a Dutch company for the use by the public service commission. of the commission for relief in Bel-

Sir Edward explained, however, that the ships would not enter Belgian ports, WASHINGTON, April 7 .- The num- but like other ships of the commission,

HARRY HALL **FINED \$400**

Bellows Falls Grocer Pays for Selling Jamaica Ginger Extract

PICKETT TO SERVE DOUBLE SENTENCE

Asked Court to Give 10 Years to Officer from Londonderry Who Aided Officials-Hughes Appears for State in Two Booze Cases.

(Special to The Reformer.)

BELLOWS FALLS, April 7. Two more liquor cases, making four which have come before the municipal court within a comparatively short ed by Chief-of-Police W. S. Severauce, John Pickett, 40, was the first to ap-

pear before Judge T. E. O'Brien. The

state, through State's Attorney O. B. WITH PRISONER Hughes of Brattleboro, claimed that Pickett had made several sales of whiskey to Hosley. The respondent advice of his counsel, Attorney George H. Thompson, and threw himself upon the mercy of the court. State's Attorney Hughes asked that an example Sheriff C. E. Mann returned to Brat- be made of the man and that he be N. Y., Wednesday by officers of without funds and that it would not It is understood that several articles nor less than four months at hard intenced Pickett to not more than five case had been disposed of, asked

Harry S. Hall, who conducts a gro-The largest crowd that ever attended probably will be bound over to the at the south end of the village, was charged with selling. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$400, with costs of \$7.65. The state claimed that Hall The reason for such concentration was un- both vocal and instrumental, made the of Buffalo, N. Y., who are conducting the Rev. D. E. Trout's Talk Before Wom- labels on the bottles claimed to have been sold by Hali stated that the mixture contained 94 per cent of alcohol.

The state claimed that Hall had tract Co., of Hartford, Conn., and

ON CURRENT USED

Co. as to Dummerston Petition

-Briefs to Be Submitted. The evidence put in by the Connecticut River Power company yesterday at the hearing before the public service All present thoroughly enjoyed the commission on the petition of residents three numbers given by a woman's of Dummerston to be furnished cleequartet, composed of Mrs. A. H. Bra- tricity by the Connecticut River Power sor, Miss Mary Bane, Mrs. W. H. company was entirely of a technical Bond and Mrs. A. L. Maynard, with nature. J. B. Mahoney, the company's Mrs. A. P. Carpenter accompanist. An superintendent of transmission, was one

> When Mr. Mahoney had concluded his testimony with reference to the load factor on the Vernon line, Mr Hadley of the Fall Mountain Co. told ster, Putney, Astead, N. H., and Saxtons River lines and E. M. Addis, manager of the local plant of the Twin State Gas and Electric Co., told of the

oad factor on the Newfane line. A recess was taken until after the arrival of the 4.23 train in the afternoon when Mr. Smith of the Keene, N. H., company testified as to load factors on small lines with which he was

This evidence was introduced in support of the contention of the company that in the absence of a guarantee to the only means of determining what might be the consumption on the proposed Dummerston line would be to determine the load factor of other similar lines. On the amount of electricity used would be based the price to be charged by the company as fixed

THE WEATHER.

Both sides will submit briefs.

Overcast-Northwest Winds.

west winds.